CARLYLE HARRIS' LIFE

His Own Story Told With the Death Watch at His Elbow.

SINGULAR SELF-CONTROL.

He Still Protests His Innocence—His Meetthe miserable criticisms upon the motive of our
marriage are not only criticisms of me but are He is Charged With Murdering-His Brief insults to her memory.

In the summer of 1891, with the expectation Review of His Trial and Conviction.



HE CASE OF CARlyle W. Harris will go down to history as one of the most notable in the criminal annals of rooms such wines, &c., as are usually served to members of clubs everywhere. They em-America.

According to the verdict of "twelve good were never disorderly and so I did not intermen and true," reinforced by the unani-mous decision of the bench of the highest court of New York any fine upon account of that arrest, because at state, he is a poisoner the time the issue was to have been settled I

and more—the murderer of the girl-wife whom he had vowed to love, honor and protect; according to the condemned man he is innocent as a babe of his wife's death; according to the belief of thousands of disinterested observers news of her daughter's death to Mrs. Potts; of he is probably guilty, but his guilt has not been conclusively proven beyond a reasonable doubt. Men may differ regarding his guilt - or

proven guilt—but there is no room for differ-ence of opinion as to the terrible position which he now occupies. A man of thoroughly re-spectable family and antecedents, a student by nature and profession, a person of far more than ordinary mental attainments, at twentythree years of age he stands condemned to igno-minious death. His world is bounded by the four walls of the cell from which he will prob-ably never issue until at the summons of the executioner. His fate lies in the hollow of a single hand. Should Governor Flower say "No," Harris dies during the week beginning May 8 next; should the word be "Yes," he may live-a prisoner for the rest of his days.

d far less sensibility have broken down under the fearful strain. Harris, albeit thin and pale and hollow-eyed, has lost none of the self-possession, none of the determination which have characterized him ever since his arrest. Shakespeare tells us that "conscience doth make cowards of us all " Judged by that standard alone Harris would be pronounced an innocent man. Not the slightest indication of cowardice



CARLYLE W. HARRIS. [As he appeared when arrested.]

or fear of death has he shown. Clearly, boy though he is in years, he is one man in a hundred thousand in point of self-control.

Hundreds of petitions, invoking executive elemency in his behalf, are now being circulated and there is a bare possibility, at this lated and there is a bare possibility, at this lated and there is a bare possibility, at this lated and there is a bare possibility, at this lated and there is a bare possibility at this lated and there is a bare possibi writing, that Gov. Flower may commute his sentence to life imprisonment. The general belief, however, is that he will refuse to inter-



took an apartment near the college buildings, our intimacy continued and we still saw each other nearly every day.

Mrs. Potts has testified to my telling her in November that I loved her daughter, and how she counseled me against any announced engagement, but still permitted me to continue my Two Washington Boys Distinguished

"HELEN AND I MARRIED EACH OTHER."

fere, but the authorities of Asbury Park did

was in a deeper difficulty, which is liable to cost

and every word which I said or did, or was sup-

posed to have said or done, has been tortured by a brilliant and unscrupulous prosecutor,

proud. Upon these charges I delivered myself

into custody, and after waiting for a year, locked in a cell mid vermin, damp and misery

such as you cannot imagine nor I describe, after a year's clamoring for trial, watching

from month to month my mother's hair turn gray and her little patrimony fade away before

the inroads of rapacious lawyers, I was placed

on trial for my life.

For two long weeks I sat each day in court listening to the testimony of witnesses,

many of whom I had seen but once in my life.

I told my lawyers that I was innocent; that I had given her no poison, and so they said she could not have died of poison at all. The autopsy was performed two months after

her death. Experts informed us that she might readily have died of any of several diseases.

An expert for the prosecution after an analysis testified that he found but an unweighable

trace, less than one one-hundreth of a grain, of

"I WAS CONVICTED, INNOCENT, OF MURDER." I was depending to prove my innocence by showing how I loved my wife, by proving that her mother and not myself had kept the marriage a secret and that she had offered me a divorce, which I refused. But at the last hour my counsel, at that time Mr. Taylor and Mr. Jerome, sent away my witnesses and insisted upon formulating our defense with the testimony of experts alone. The jury which tried me was an intelligent, well-meaning body of men. They were business men or mechanics men. They were business men or mechanics and could not, of course, understand the polysyllables of learned experts, and so the case, with no defense that any but experts could understand, went to the jury after a charge which I have respectfully shown and proven to the court itself was the attempt successful upon the part of the judge to place testimony in the lips of my dead wife which she would have sooner

which caused her death.

morphine.

Our secret marriage on February 8, 1890, is a matter of record, but in the criticism of that marriage one fact has been lost sight of and that is that not alone did I marry Helen, but that Helen and I married each other, and hence

EXPERTS AT THE KEY



Of Helen's tragic death on the morning of February 1, 1891, I cannot bear to tell in detail; how, beside her coffin, Mrs. Potts wrote to my mother saying I had been a son to her when the shadow of death was over her, has all been told, Rehef Association stood sponsor for the affair and upon this worthy band of big-hearted telegraphers the crown of success gracefully rests.

Telegraphers were present from all parts of the country. California and Oregon contributed on a contract which was a contract which were present from all parts of the country. with the assistance of a renegade journalist, into proof that I am guilty of a crime for which I had no motive—proof that I murdered a girl who loved me and of whom I was so very, very uted one or more gilt-edge men, while Chicago and Washington sent several men as delegates and one or two to enter the lists. All the other eastern cities had delegations present. Two most commendable objects were had in view when the tournament was originally broached by T. M. R. A., the first being the discovery of the most expert telegraphers in the business and ascertaining exactly what they could do on a wire so far as work was con-

a bed for worthy telegraphers in some hospital.

As before stated the association succeeded noand yet who solemnly swore that I, a boy of twenty-one, had confessed to them of crimes without number, of crimes unspeakable in their horror, and the defense was handicapped. I THE TOURNAMENT OF 1890. In 1890 a tournament was held in New York, To that event Mr. Herbert Wright, the genial night manager of the United Press, was sent as Washington's representative man, but they stopped the sale of "nervine" in New York on occasion, and as a result the national capital failed to secure a place. The tournament this year was made doubly interesting owing to the fact that John W. Mackay, the California millionaire, presented two medals of solid gold, valued at \$150 and \$100 respectively, to be

cerned, both as to sending with the key and re





system of telegraphy. At the death of Gen. John A. Logan he sent matter that filled seven columns of the *Inter-Ocean*, and sent it in less than four hours. Recently he sent over 2,000 Where the Invalid May Grow Strong and

Two Washington Boys Distinguished
Themselves in the Tournament.

Themselves in the Tournament.

CONTEST OF WIRE SHARPS.

Sending the Code for Rich Prizes—Dividing a Second Prize and an Honorable Mention.
Their Trophies—Crack Operators From All Over the Country Contested.

Words in twenty-five minutes, using the code system, and it was received in Chicago by Mr. Charles Hayes.

Mr. McKeldin has always been selected as one of any detail which was sent out to do especially rapid work. He was one of the seven expert operators at the jail when Guiteau was hung and he also went to Long Branch when President Garfield was removed thither. From 1830 he worked for the Associated Press and since the consolidation he has worked the southern wire for the United Press. No man in the telegraph profession has more friends than Harry McKeldin, a state of things brought about by an abnormally big heart, a sunny disposition and a willingness to sacrifice his pleasure for others.

BENEFIT TO THE PUBLIC. words in twenty-five minutes, using the code system, and it was received in Chicago by Mr.

BENEFIT TO THE PUBLIC. Did the public but know their interests are HE TOURNAMENT enhanced by these tournaments they would undor telegraph operators doubtedly take a still greater interest in them. enhanced by these tournaments they would unheld in New York city last Saturday attracted more than the usual amount of interest and the speed attained will eventually arouse sectional pride, and an advancement of the profession will follow. Back in the early seventies a considered of forty words a migute was considered. of the country, and even record of forty words a minute was considered the public displayed considerable curiosity as to the outcome of the event. All of the big metropolity deliced.

When a tournament is announced to come off

metropolitan dailies de-voted a column or two in writing up the trial of speed with the key and key-board and describing the contestants. As a result the tournament was a success both finanresult the tournament was a success both man-cially and artistically, the large hall being crowded to the doors with interested hearers and sightseers and the contestants making ex-ceptional fast time. The Telegraphers' Mutual Rehef Association stood sponsor for the affair and upon this worthy band of big-hearted teleg-raphers the crown of success gracefully rests. instance an operator in any of the eastern cities who intends to enter the tournament. He is at once on the tiptoe of expectation, and immeclass condition. At ordinary times he will send a certain number of messages a day, but now he handles fully fifty more, and the public and telegraph companies receives the benefit of this enthusiasm. It is the same on the press wires, where the cream of the profession is employed. ceiving on the typewriter. The second object was the raising of a fund for the endowment of

where the cream of the profession is employed, and presents a most artistic appearance in its setting of magnolia trees and provided by speed is continually kept up, but now sudden shows to buckle down to work or be classed a mong the experts who are losing their grip as operators.

Some good men in the telegraph profession, but their modesty and lack of steady nerves prevent them from making national little over a year ago one of Washington's brightest men was sent over to New York to brightest men was sent over to New York to be to many people with reputations of the best in the telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be the telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph ranks unnerved him and a speed of forty words a minute was all that he could be telegraph rank could not prove I did not make these marvelous confessions. I did not know that my poor
wife had been addicted for years to the drug

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brightest men was sent over to New York to

THE MECCA OF THE PINES.

SENEPIT PROM THE PUNGENT ODOR OF BUD-DING PINES-A BRAUTIFUL ROULEVARD DRIVE-AMUSING SCENES AT A FIRE-A CELEBRATED ondence of The Evening Star.

THOMASVILLE, Ga., March 28, 1893. Thomasville, the Mecca of the pines, is the great gathering place for all who desire the healing properties to be found here in breathing the pure air and strong, pungent odor sent out from the fresh budding pines. It is a pretty place as well and not so entirely given over to invalids as one might suppose far from it. Many who are quite strong and well are seen daily wandering through the groves. where the sun comes slanting down in a fas-

cinating and most bewitching manner. Thomasville is a true southern town, only you do not see here the extreme laziness and lack of energy found in Florida. The Georgians are by far more full of life and spirit. The Georgia darkey will work for three days and rest one, while the Plorida negro works one day and rests three.

There are no springs to attract the visitor for

Yankee's "paradise" as it is called, and there you will see all the northern "swells." Later in the day they are to be met driving out among the belt of pines which surround the place and very attractive and pretty this drive is a boulevard eighteen miles in extent about the city, a level road through miles of pines, and always within two miles of the heart of the town, so you may turn homeward wheneve En passant you see many pretty cottages, or

more of the villa order, built in the southern style of bungalow. The most attractive is that of Mr. J. Wyman Jones. The place was at one time, in the ante-bellum days, a large cotton plantation. The old house has been slightly modern-ized, still keeping its wide galleries and hospitable entrance door, opening into a wide and very charming hall. It is painted in the colonial colors, and presents a most artistic ap-pearance in its setting of magnolia trees and

AUCTION SALES.

THIS AFTERNOON. FUTURE DAYS. FOR SALE—AT PUBLIC AUCTION, ON SATUR-DAY, APRIL FIRST, 1883, at FIVE P.M., by Geo, W. Stickney, auctioneer, at 1411 G st. n.w., a spiendid farm of 145 acres, with large dwelling, barn, stables, fine orchard of all kinds of fruit. This is a fine stock, garden or fruit farm, and will be sold for whatever it will bring without reserve. Terms very easy. For full information see JAMES E. CLEMENTS, 1821 Fst. n. w. mh23-10t

ATIMER & SLOAN, AUCTIONEERS, 1407 G st. n. w. THIS EVENING. WALTER B. WILLIAMS & CO., Auctioneers.

ANNUAL SPRING SALE, By order of the TAUNTON SILVER PLATE COMPANY. Rich and elegant Silver-plated Ware, French Clocks, Bronzes, Tea Seta, Epergnes, Tureens, Pudding Dishes, Cake Baskets, Nut Bowls and all kinds of Silver Ware made for table use.

FINE LINE OF ROGERS' TABLE CUTLERY. AT OUR SALES ROOM. Cor. 10th st. and Fa. ava. n.w. TUESDAY, MARCH TWENTY-EIGHTH. AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M., THREE and HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M., and will continue daily at same hours until the entire stock is dis-posed of, mh27-10t WALTER B. WILLIAMS & CO., Aucts.

LATIMER & SLOAN, Auctioneers, 1407 Gat. his morning constitutional, but instead you may wander to the fashionable Pine Grove, the JEWELRY OF W. S. TAPPAN CONTAINED IN STORE NO. 604 NINTH STREET, BE TWEEN F AND GSTREETS NORTHWEST. On FRIDAY, MARCH THIRTY-FIRST, 1893, commencing at HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCKP, M., and continuing daily at same hour until all is sold, within the lewelry store of W. S. Tappan, 694 9th street northwest, I will sell, to the highest bidder, his entire stock of fine lewelry of alk kinds, comprising:

FINE GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, DIA-MONDS, FRENCH AND AMERICAN CLOCKS, RINGS, OF ALL, WINDS, AND, DESIGNS

RINGS OF ALL KINDS AND DESIGNS, BROOCHES, BRACELETS, EARRINGS, CHARMS, GOLD AND SILVER THIMBLES, LOT CUTTLERY AND GOODS AS USUALLY FOUND IN AN ESTABLISHMENT OF THIS W. E. BLOCHER, Assignee, LATIMER & SLOAN, Aucts.

FUTURE DAYS. PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE LAND IN ALEX

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AUCTION SALES.

THOMAS DOWLING & SON, Auctioneers, 612 Est. n.w. FOUR CAE LOADS OF STONE AT AUCTION.
We will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, APRIL
FOURTH, ING. commencing at TEN OCLOCK
A.M., at the freight yard corner South Capitol and O
streets southwest, four car loads of North Carolina
Red Stone to pay charses and freight.
By order of the B. and P. R.R. Co. mh30-4t

splendid opportunity to investors and should command fineir general attention.

Terms easy and made known at time of sale. Part of turchase money will hear but 5 per cent interest. A deposit of \$250 required at time of sale. Terms to be combined with in ten days from day of sale.

BATCLIFFE, DARR & CO.

TATALTER R. WILLIAMS & CO. WALTER B. WILLIAMS & CO. AUCTIONEERS.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, CARINET GRAND PIANO, HORSE, RIGGRY AND HARNESS, CARPETS, REDDING, &c., AT AUGITON.

By order of the Supreme Court for the District of Columbia, nodeths a special term for orphans' court bestiness. I scall sed on TUESDAY, APRIL, FOURTH, A. D. 1883, at TEN OCLOCK A. M., at residence No. 634 Maryand ave. s. w., the personal effects partially enumerated:

HANDSOME CABINET GRAND UPRIGHT PIANO, NEARLY NEW COMMER & CO., NEW YORK, MAKEES). ONE PARIOR CAPINET OR. GAN, INGOOD CONDITION, ELEGANT WALNUT BOOK CASE AND A VAUTABLE COLLECTION OF BOOKS, HANDSOMELA BOOND: PARLOR SUITE IPHOLSTERED IN RAW SILK; LIBERARY DESK, BALL RACK, SPOLDING BEDS, WALNUT CHASEER, FURNITURE, SIDEBOARDS, DINING ROOM CHAIRS, REPRIGERATOR, LIBRARY TABLE, SMYRNA RUGS, CHINA AND GLASSWARE.

ALSO, AT TWELVE O'CLOCK M...

Terms cash.

WILLIAM G. LOWN, Administrator.

WALTER B. WILLIAMS & CO., Aucts. mb::9-5t

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AUCTION SALES. RATCLIFFE, DARR & CO. AUCTIONEERS.

ALL THE OFFICE AND MISCELLANEOUS FURNITURE CONTAINED IN THE LATE HEADGUARTERS OF THE REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE TO BE SOLD AT NO. 1713 G ST. NW. BY AUCTION ON MONDAY. AFRIL THIELD INC.

CONSISTING IN PART OF.

150 CANE AND WOOD SEAT CHAIRS, PIGEON HOLES, DESKS, LETTER FRESSES, NEW TYPEWRITER CASE, LARGE BASKET TRUCK.

COOLERS AND A LOT OF MILCSLIANEOUS FURNITURE TO WHICH WE INVITE THE ATTENTION OF DEALURS AND OTHERS.

DESCRIPTE, DARB & CO., AUCTIONEERS.

CHANCERY SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED BEAL ESTATE ON RIDGE STREET BETWEEN FOURTH AND FIFTH STREETS NORTHWEST. By virtue of a decree of the Supieme Court of the District of Columbia, passed in Equity cause No. 14,540, the undersigned trustees will sell at public auction in front of the premises on SATUKDAY THE EIGHTH DAY of APRIL, ISRX at FIVE OCCLOCK, P. M., the real estate in the city of Washincton, District of Columbia, known as sublot 65 in square 513, as the subdivision is recorded in Liber W. B. M., tolic 63, of the surveyor's office of the District of Columbia. Terms of sale: One-third cash, and the balance in one and two years in equal installments, secured on the property sold, with interest from the day of sale, or the purchaser may pay all cash, as this option. A deposit of \$100 wil, be required when the property in the paid to the day of sale. All conveyancing and recording at the cost of the purchaser. If the terms are not complied with in tendays the property may be resold at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser.

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BY VIXE OF DESTRABLE INFROVED PROPERTY, ON MILABLE FOR FINE OPPING PRICE OF DESTRABLE WITH DAY OF APRIL, 1885, AT TIVE OCCLOCK P. M. the south seventeen (17) feet front the defaulting purchaser.

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PROPERTY ON INDIANA AVENUE OPPOSITE
COURT HOUSE, SUITABLE FOR FINE OFFICE
BUILDING OR APARTMENT HOUSE AND
KNOWN AS THE SEVENTEEN POOM BUILER
MORTHWEST, WITH BRICK STABLE IN THE
REAR ON A TRIBETY-FOOT ALLEY
ON MONDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL TENTH, AT
FIVE O'CLOCK, TO Will cell in front of the premises,
THE WEST ON FEET OF LOT IR.

This property is one of the finest in the city, being
on Indians ave opposite the court house, and has a
depth of 150 feet to 30-foot alley, with sewer; also
24-foot slie alley, and is especially adapted to use as
site for office building or apartment house, and for
small expense the present improvement can be easily
made to surphy either of these. This sale presents a
splendid opportunity to investors and should command their repertal attention.

Terms case and made known at time of sale. Part

WALTER B. WILLIAMS & CO., Auctioneers. CHERRY FRAME PARLOR SUITE. UPHOLSTERED IN PLUSH ANTIQUE OAK CHAMBER SUITES, ANTIQUE OAK MIRRORFRONT FOLDING BITD, CHERRY TABLER,
WALNUT MARBLE-TOP HUFFET MIRROR
BACK, WALNUT HALL, RACK, REVOLVING
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DESK, WALNUT EXTENSION TABLES,
FORTY BENT WOOD DINING CHAIRS,
TWELVE ROUND TABLES, LACE CURTAINS,
BRUSSFLS, INGRAIN AND OTHER CARPETS,
WALNUT CHAMBER SUITES, PARLOR
SUITES, IPHOLSTERRED IN PLUSH: BRUSSSELS HALL, AND STAIR CARPETS, FORTHERES, HARE AND HUSK MATTRESSES,
SPRINGS, BEDDING, &c.
ON MONDAY, APRIL THIRD, COMMENCING
AT TEN O'CLOCK A.M., we shall s-U, at No. 1036
Connectical avenue northwest, the above assortment
of Household Furniture, Carpets, &c., partially
entinessized, and worthy the attention of parties
contempiating housekeeping.
Terms cash.

ATIMER & SLOAN, Auctioneers, 1407 G st.